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September 23, 2011

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is soliciting self nominations from representatives of non-motorized highway users to fill two new vacancies on the California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC). The two new vacancies were created specifically to represent non-motorized highway users on the CTCDC as it recommends to Caltrans new or modified traffic control device policy or standards for use in California.

The California Vehicle Code Section 21400 requires Caltrans to consult with local agencies and the public as it develops standards for traffic control devices on California highways, streets and roads. Established in 1968, the CTCDC advises Caltrans on matters related to traffic control device standards as documented in the California Manual on Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD). The "Complete Streets" movement has resulted in changes in the law. Government Code Section 65302(b), requires the consideration of all highway users (including non-motorized users) when modifying or developing highways. The two new members will further ensure that non-motorized issues are fully considered during any CTCDC deliberation.

Desirable qualities include, but are not limited to:

Knowledge and experience with non-motorized transportation issues, facilities, and users

- Pedestrian rights and duties under the California Vehicle Code (CVC)
- Bicyclist rights and duties under the CVC
- The needs of people with disabilities and others with limited physical or cognitive abilities
- Knowledge of the Caltrans Highway Design Manual guidance that affects pedestrians and bicyclists, so proposed features having geometric components can be recognized
- National best practices and emerging trends

Knowledge, skills, and/or abilities related to roadway markings, signage, and signals

- How pedestrian involved crashes and conflicts with other transportation system users occur and how to minimize them
- How bicycle involved crashes and conflicts with other transportation system users occur and how to minimize them

Experience with roadway markings, signage, and signals

- Operational practices that support pedestrian rights and duties and minimize the likelihood of conflicts
- Operational practices that support bicyclist rights and duties and minimize the likelihood of conflicts
- Bicycle handling characteristics
- Pedestrian expectations as transportation system users
- Bicycle operator expectations as transportation system users

Familiarity with the CA MUTCD

- CA MUTCD guidance regarding roadway markings, signage, and signals.

Experience with local infrastructure development

- Infrastructure development issues in communities
- Openness to experimentation and consideration of innovative, non-standard traffic control devices

Demonstrated ability to work productively in groups

- Willingness to regularly and actively participate in all meetings, workshops, and discussions
- Commitment to serving the needs of all transportation system users and embracing the overall purpose of the committee which is setting and promulgating standards for traffic control devices in California

A self-nomination form is attached or can be obtained at the CTCDC website at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/signtech/newtech/>

The CTCDC holds a minimum of three meetings each year, rotating between northern and southern California. Several full-day workshops may also be scheduled as needed during the year. Members of the CTCDC can be reimbursed for travel and per diem at current State reimbursement rates if attendance will result in a financial hardship.

The most qualified applicants may be interviewed in November by a selection committee composed of Caltrans staff who work directly with non-motorized highway user groups currently advising Caltrans. The selection committee will recommend two new members and their alternates. The final selection will be by the Acting Director, Malcolm Dougherty. The new members and their alternates will be notified by December 15, 2011 by an appointment letter from the Director and will be invited to attend the first meeting of the CTCDC in 2012 as a full-voting member. The first CTCDC meeting in 2012 will be in southern California and will occur in January or February. The appointment will be for a minimum of two years and may be extended by consent.

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**Please return the completed self-nomination form, along with a brief biography, to Devinder Singh, Secretary CTCDC no later than October 31, 2011.** Mailing information is contained on the form. If you have any questions, please contact Devinder Singh at (916) 654-4715 or by e-mail sent to <devinder\_singh@dot.ca.gov>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ROBERT COPP', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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Chief

Division of Traffic Operations

Enclosure

c: Devinder Singh, Executive Secretary, CTCDC

# California Department of Transportation

## California Traffic Control Devices Committee

### Non-motorized Representative Committee Member

### **Self-Nomination Form**

Nominee's Name:

Address:

Phone:

Cell Phone:

E-mail:

Please attach a short biography or a resume (no more than five pages) addressing how you meet the desirable qualifications.

Please return the completed nomination form and attachments by October 31, 2011 to:

Devinder Singh, Secretary, California Traffic Control Devices Committee

California Department of Transportation

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or

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